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Inventor(s) Scott Alan Beckwith, et al.			
Title of Invention GLOBAL SERVICE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR AN ADVANCED INTELLIGENT NETWORK			

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed below and on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and

made of record. Copies of the listed documents required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2) are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

The reference(s) now cited are the following:

U.S. Patent Application

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/023,923, filed February 13, 1998, by inventors Larry Jost, et al., for "APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR FACILITATING SERVICE MANAGEMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN A COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK."

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g),(h), this Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made and is not to be construed to be an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b).

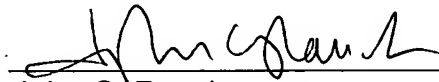
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This application is a continuation application of U.S. Serial No. 09/103,286, filed June 23, 1998 and is relied upon for an earlier filing dated under 35 U.S.C. § 120. In accordance with Rule 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d) only copies of documents not previously cited

and submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office in the prior application Serial No. 09/103,286 are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

Applicant(s) respectfully request that the listed documents be made of record in the present case.

Respectfully submitted,

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